Maynard Rod and Gun Club Newsletter



Newsletter

Upcoming Events and News - Please check your email and club calendar frequently for upcoming events. And remember, Safety, Safety, Safety.

Club News

Rifle & Pistol Committee

Shotgun and muzzle loader for whitetail deer is coming up fast! Get out on the range and sight in those long guns for straight accurate shooting. See you on the range. Good luck this season!

November Egg Shoot - 11/19 @ 9:00am:

This will be a friendly shooting competition in which participants will attempt to shoot an egg on a golf tee at the 25, 50, 75 and 100 yard distances. The cost per person will be \$8 and proceeds will be used for range improvements. Prize for both the adult & youth divisions will be a \$50 gift certificate to Four Seasons Firearms store.

If you are looking to be more involved in the shooting sports and want to hang out with friendly, like-minded folks, this is the place to be.

Please email the committee to find out more about the rules, and don't forget to RSVP because seats are limited.<u>rifleandpistol@maynardrodandgunclub.com</u>

2nd annual rifle and pistol committee 50/50 Christmas Cash Raffle:

Tickets have hit the streets!!! Hit up your favorite committee member or head into the lounge and get some today!!! Someone is going to spend \$20 and win \$2500, just in time for a nice shopping spree.

Since last year was such a success we've upped the stakes to a \$2,500 grand prize. As you can imagine, at just a week or so before Christmas, there couldn't be a better time to win a big pile of Cash.

Tickets are available now from each Rifle and Pistol Committee Member or you can get them at the lounge. Or, you can also email the Rifle and Pistol committee and we can send you a ticket in the regular mail. You do not have to be present to win but please make sure we can read your name and number on the ticket stub. <u>rifleandpistol@maynardrodandgunclub.com</u>

Stay safe and we'll see you on the ranges!! The Rifle & Pistol Committee,

rifleandpistol@maynardrodandgunclub.com

Bud Parker, Ken Chin, Peter Voymas, Craig Schomp, Jim Foley, Jon Shepard, Chris Manero, Alan Archibald, Tom Neal, Derek Stirk, John Fallon & Bill Boudrot



Duck season is here. Come on out and practice t

The trap and skeet fields continue to be very active and Sundays are filled with shooters in all weather. Come on down anytime, but especially join us on Sunday mornings for good fun with the gang. New shooters and new members are always welcome and encouraged.

Coming up soon, in November another clay order will be arriving, so stay tuned for those dates. We'll need 7-10 helpers and they will be arriving during the week in the afternoon.

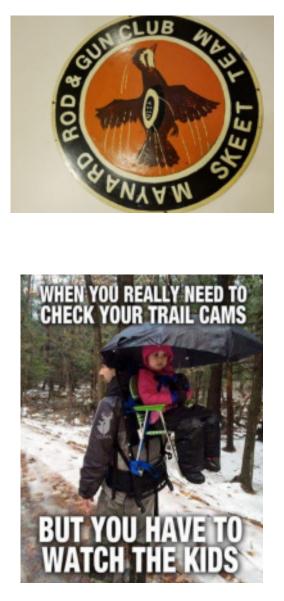
Remember all fields on Sudbury are now wireless, so no more cords are needed. Wireless controllers in the locked closet in the Shooters Den in a white cabinet. Please remember to close ranges completely; people are leaving lights on, power on to the machines, not releasing the throwing arms, leaving trash around, etc. Thank you.

Upcoming Tournament, 12/17

Santa Intramural Tournament: Back by popular demand, it will be the same Sunday as the Club elections, 12/17. 3-gun tournament: 5-Stand; Wobble Skeet; and Trap. \$30 including clays fees, trophies and prizes; and BBQ hamburgers and hotdogs with sides and fixings.

5-Stand and New Trap Machine Loan Repayments — will be made in January. NOTE: Only members who have renewed for 2018 are entitled to the repayment installment being in made in January, 2018 or the final installment due to be paid in January, 2019.

For more info, contact Gifford Perry, wgp27@comcast.net



An MRGC member and avid bow hunter on kid duty checking his "hot" spot.

Archery

Well, if you haven't heard, we're in the rut! So, maybe it's time to get out there in the deer woods? But, maybe you should practice shooting straight aiming at the new backstops at the MRGC archery range. We all know how much practice it takes... And, we need donations for the game supper! So, come on down and use the MRGC archery range since it's great again! (Please note that broadheads are not allowed with these targets.) The archery range is all set up with all new backstop targets and two 3D targets to shoot. "Making the archery range great again." For more info, email Chris at chris2500hd@gmail.com

Jr. Rifle Program

The Club's Junior Rifle Program for boys and girls age 10 and older is underway.

The program meets every Thursday night at the Indoor Range from 7:00pm-8:30pm and runs from November through to the end of March. The program teaches the kids firearms safety and safe firearms handling and the fundamentals of shooting 3-position small bore. We promote the highest standards of safety and encourage good sportsmanship and personal responsibility. For more details contact coaches Peter Early or Ramzi Maalouf at <u>youthprograms@maynardrodandgunclub.com</u>

LTC/FID Certifications and Other Training - Thursday, 11/16 @ 6:30pm

NRA Home Firearm Safety Class for LTC/FID - Sign up by 11/14. If you have friends or family interested in learning gun safety and want to apply for an FID or LTC (License to Carry) permit this is the class that is needed. Pre-registration is required. Membership Not required. Class may be cancelled if low enrollment (this will be the last class offered in 2017). \$85 student fee. Upon course completion, an NRA Course Certificate and a Massachusetts Safety Certificate will be issued. For more information, or to register for the class, please contact Ken Chin at <u>trackertx17@yahoo.com</u>.

GOAL - Please Attend Public Hearing Nov. 16, at 11:00 AM

On Thursday, November 16th the Massachusetts Joint Committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security is scheduled to hear more than 40 bills that could impact your Second Amendment rights. The hearing will take place at the Massachusetts State House in Room A1, beginning at 11:00 AM.

By participating in this hearing, either by testifying or simply being present, you will have a chance to stand up for freedom and express your opposition to the misguided anti-gun proposals, while supporting GOAL legislation aimed at restoring Second Amendment rights in MA. Input received at this public hearing will determine the direction the Massachusetts General Court takes on our Second Amendment rights this legislative session.

Send us your outdoor photos to include in the newsletters!

Have you been out in the woods yet? Bag a bear or a deer? See a rare bird? Did you take a kid fishing or hunting? Did you take a photo of an extraordinary nature and/or wildlife picture you want to share? Send jpg. photos to Josh at newsletter@maynardrodandgunclub.com to include in the newsletter and include a short caption of who, where and what. Many members continue to send in their great sporting pictures for the newsletter. See below.

Andrea woods, 16 years old, got a buck on youth day in Maine. Way to go Andrea. (I bet your dad is jealous!!!)





Jerry Peters weighing his 130lb buck on the MRGC club scale with enthusiastic helpers, Hannah and Holden! Nice job, Jerry!

MRGC Kids Christmas Party - 3rd Sunday in December, 12/17

Approved by the Executive Board and back by popular demand, the Annual Maynard Rod & Gun Club kids Christmas Party will be held Sunday, December 17th in the function hall from 12pm-3pm. Come take part in all the fun, food & holiday festivities. Kids enjoy games and food before receiving a gift from Santa. Santa Clause will have a grand arrival by fire truck at at 1:00pm.

The sign up sheet for this event will be posted in the members lounge from Monday 11/13 until Friday 12/9. All children attending this event must be signed up by 12/9 to allow the committee enough time to buy presents and prepare. This event is open to all members in good standing and their children and grandchildren ages 12 or under.

Come be a part of this great club tradition. Please direct any questions to the kids Christmas party chair, Ellen Murphy. <u>ellen@topcatpromotions.com</u>



Santa arriving at MRGC to greet excited kids.

MRGC Members Lounge

Meet and Greet - New Co-Managers - 11/17 @ 5-7pm

Many members have stopped by the lounge to imbibe and to meet Amanda and Julie. If you haven't already, come on down to meet the new Co-Management Team. They've been working on their bar room humor and have several one-liners in store for you, if you can take it (parental discretion is advised). "Meet and Greet" on Nov. 17th, TGIF, 5-7pm. Stop by for food and fun.

T-GIVING HOLIDAY KICKOFF - Join Us Wednesday Nov. 22nd, 4-8pm Friends, Food and Laughter. All are Welcome

Closed Thursday Thanksgiving Day - Everyone have safe Holiday

Meet our Newest Lounge Bartenders - Zoe and Hannah alternating Friday and Sundays. Come in and say hello.

MRGC Game Supper (End) February 2018

Game Supper may be back! We'll need donations of game meats for the supper. Please consider donating venison, bear, elk, waterfowl, upland birds, fish, boar, antelope, etc. that you harvest from your productive outings.

Please, if you can, donate ANY game meats, or if you can, volunteer to help prepare or serve. Stay tuned for more details to come. Reach out to Andy Woods at woodsalta1@gmail.com

2018 Renewal Season will soon be Underway

We've had a very successful 2017 in terms of membership growth. At our last eBoard meeting, 9 new members joined us in October to carry us to about 560 members. If you have friends and family who are "On the fence," encourage them to come down off the fence and join us. This is the right time! Take advantage of the Club's generous Q4 offering of the final months of '17, plus all of '18 (all for just one low price).

If momentum continues, we should finish at another 21st century high for membership with nearly 450 regular full members! That's up substantially by over 100 over the past two years.

That means that 2018 membership renewal season is almost upon us. Has your E-Mail address changed? Changed your address or telephone numbers? Please bring us up-to-date!

Please send any updates to me for processing, <u>secretary@maynardrodandgunclub.com</u>. As the frost comes on the pumpkins, we'll soon be sending our 2018 renewal notices. To save scarce administrative resources (the mind I save may be my own), we'll send first notices by E-Mail. You'll once again be able to print the notice and pay by check, or by credit card "On-line" should you so desire. For those members who don't have E-Mail we'll use "Snail mail." You'll receive an E-Mail receipt as I process renewal checks. I will hold 2018 paper member cards for distribution at the RO meetings to save postage.

MRGC Annual Elections for club officers and executive board members - 12/17

Annual elections for club officers and executive board members will be held on Sunday, Dec. 17th in the members lounge. Please come out and vote. (Same day as MRGC Santa Kids Party and Skeet Holiday and Vote - Intramural 3 gun Tournament.)

MRGC Meetings

Quarterly Body – December 18th, Monday @ 7:00pm - (Open to ALL general members) We will be serving light snacks during the meeting! Come down and join us to hear about club planning and operations, and to share ideas. We hope to see you there!

(June, Sept., Dec., March.) Meets in the Club house the 3rd Monday of the last month in the quarter at 7:00pm. ALL General Members welcome and encouraged! Come hear about the strong health of our club, other club business, committee reports, treasurers report, managers report, and socialize after wards in the members lounge. For more info, contact our scribing secretary, Bob Trombly <u>secretary@maynardrodandgunclub.com</u>

E-Board (NOT open to general members)

Our elected 13 E-Board members meets as a board the 2nd Monday of every month 7:00pm in the club house. If our general members have a topic they'd like reviewed, or if there are comments, questions or suggestion, please contact any chair member.

(New Members are required to come before the E-Board in person on an E-Board meeting night with their applications filled out.

Contact secretary, Bob Trombly secretary@maynardrodandgunclub.com

Don't Be Late! Important Dates!

11/16 - LTC Training Class AT MRGC

11/16 - GOAL

- 11/17 Meet and Greet New Co-Managers in Members Lounge, 5-7pm
- 11/19 November R&P Egg Shoot
- 11/22 Members Lounge T-GIVING HOLIDAY KICKOFF Wednesday, 4-8pm
- 11/23 Members Lounge Closed Thursday, Thanksgiving Day
- 12/9 LAST DAY TO SIGN UP MRGC Kids Christmas Party with Santa
- 12/17 MRGC Kids Christmas Party with Santa
- 12/17 Skeet Holiday and Vote Intramural 3 gun Tournament
- 12/17 MRGC Club Elections in Members Lounge
- 12/18 MRGC Quarterly Body meeting Open to ALL members, 7pm

2/2018 - Game Supper

A special thanks to all those who work hard to keep the club going, too many to mention, please keep up the effort. Keep an eye on the upcoming newsletters, the Club's website and Facebook pages for announcements as there is always something going on.

Follow us on *Facebook* and *Twitter*!

Maynard Rod & Gun Club - 2017 Club Leadership

We work for you:

Members of the Maynard Rod and Gun Club elected the following representatives for 2017 to manage the affairs of our Club. We represent you and we work for you. Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have concerns, comments, questions or ideas.

2017 Officers -

President - Steve Locke – president@maynardrodandgunclub.com Vice President - Peter Early - vicepresident@maynardrodandgunclub.com Treasurer - Mike Murphy - treasurer@maynardrodandgunclub.com Secretary - Bob Trombly - secretary@maynardrodandgunclub.com

Returning E-Board Members Bill Aucoin Jim Coughlin James Rottman Dwight Warren Andy Woods Newly Elected/(Re-elected*)/Selected E-Board Members Jeff DeLand Josh Liberman (Newsletter)

Dave Loughlin* Aaron Mikloso*